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APPLICANT(S): JACK V. SMITH

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FOR: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING AND DETECTING AND

NORMALIZING HIV FOR RAPID ANALYSIS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 10/29/04 and for the following reasons the applicant respectfully requests that the above application be allowed.